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## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

## LISTING OF CLAIMS:

Claim 1 (currently amended):

<u>A Pourer pourer (1, 21) comprising:</u>

a sleeve-shaped elongated body constructed at one end (3, 23) for clamping introduction into the <u>a</u> pouring facility of a container and constructed at the <u>an</u> other end (15, 35) as a collector for liquid droplets;

wherein a pouring section (2, 22) is arranged in said other end (15, 35), the <u>a</u> free end (9, 29) of said <u>puring pouring section</u> in the pouring position <u>producing protruding</u> further than the <u>a</u> free end (13) of the collector,

wherein a collection channel (14) is delimited between said collector and said pouring section, said collection channel having a transverse section (19) extending transversely with respect to the longitudinal axis (7) of said elongated body and merging into a longitudinal section (18) on either side, characterized in that

wherein the longitudinal section (18) of the collection channel opens into the sleeveshaped body, and

wherein the cross-section of said channel gradually decreases from said transverse section to the opening of said longitudinal section into the sleeve-shaped body.

Claim 2 (currently amended): Pourer A pourer according to Claim 1, wherein said collector and pouring section comprise a single material part.

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Claim 3: (canceled).

Claim 4 (currently amended): Pourer A pourer according to Claim 31, wherein the

height of the pouring section (2, 22) protruding from the sleeve-shaped section decreases from

the free end thereof towards the one end of the sleeve-shaped section.

Claim 5 (currently amended): Pourer according to Claim 2, wherein the

<u>an</u> end limit of the <u>a</u> second edge (13) is at an angle ( $\alpha$ ) with respect to the longitudinal axis (17)

of said pourer, which angle  $(\alpha)$  is positive.

Claim 6 (currently amended): Pourer according to claim 1, wherein the

other end of said tubular body has an annular part provided with a split (6) extending in the

longitudinal direction of said body over the entire length thereof, which annular part is made of a

resilient material.

Claim 7 (currently amended): Pourer A pourer according to Claim 6, wherein said

split comprises a gap (6) of at least 20 degrees.

Claim 8 (currently amended): Pourer A pourer according to Claim 56, wherein in

the non-compressed position, the external diameter of the annular part is at least approximately

20 mm.

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Claim 9 (currently amended): Pourer according to Claim 56, wherein said

annular part is provided with external ribs (4).

Claim 10 (currently amended): Pourer according to Claim 8, wherein the

annular part is provided with an elastomer sealing ring (25).

Claim 11 (currently amended): Pourer A pourer according to Claim 56, wherein the

free end of the annular part comprises a point (5) extending in the longitudinal direction.

Claim 12 (currently amended): Pourer A pourer according to Claim <u>\$11</u>, wherein

from said point, said end limit of the annular part extends in accordance with a spiral, with the

longitudinal direction as core.

Claim 13 (currently amended):

Pourer A pourer according to Claim 6, wherein said

one part is flared after the free end.

Claim 14 (currently amended): Pourer A pourer according to one of the preceding

elaims, in combination with Claim 5, wherein said one end comprises part of a circle, wherein

the arc spanned by said part of a circle decreases towards the free end.

Claim 15 (currently amended):

Pourer A pourer according to claim 1, made from

plastic material.

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